

### **Department of Justice**

#### Office on Violence Against Women

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Washington, D.C. 20531

**GRANT NOTIFICATION** Grant Number: 2009-EF-S6-0036 Name & Address of Recipient: Maine Department Of Public Safety 104 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0104 City, State & ZIP: Recipient Project Director/Contact: Anne Jordan Commissioner Phone: (207) 626-3831 Title of Program: Recovery Act STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program Title of Project: Recovery Act STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program Amount of Award: \$ 1,057,447 Date of Award: 05/15/2009 Office on Violence Against Women Awarding Agency: Kevin Sweeney Supplement: No Statutory Authority for Program: 42 U.S.C. 3796gg - 3796gg-5 (OVW - Stop Formula)

#### **Project Description:**

State

Impact/Focus:

The OVW Recovery Act STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (Recovery Act STOP Program) is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5) (the "Recovery Act") and authorized by 42 U.S.C. 3796gg et seq. The stated purposes of the Recovery Act are to preserve and create jobs and promote economic recovery; to assist those most impacted by the recession; to provide investments needed to increase economic efficiency by spurring technological advances in science and health; to invest in transportation, environmental protection, and other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits; and to stabilize State and local government budgets, in order to minimize and avoid reductions in essential services and counterproductive State and local tax increases.

CFDA Number:

16.588

The Recovery Act STOP supports communities in their efforts to hire and retain criminal justice and victim services personnel that respond to violent crimes against women as a way to develop and strengthen effective law enforcement, prosecution strategies, and victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women. To further the purposes of the Recovery Act, OVW encourages States to target Recovery Act funding to hiring and retaining criminal justice and victim services personnel who respond to violent crimes against women, as well as supporting other strategies that create and preserve jobs and promote economic growth while improving responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

The STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grants Program (STOP Program) was reauthorized and amended on January 5, 2006 by the Violence Against Women Act of 2005 (VAWA 2005). The STOP Program continues to encourage the development and implementation of effective, victim-centered law enforcement, prosecution, and court strategies to address violent crimes against women and the



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development and enhancement of victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women. It envisions a partnership among law enforcement, prosecution, courts, and victim services organizations to enhance victim safety and hold offenders accountable for their crimes against women.
In compliance with VAWA 2005, each STOP grant recipient must allocate not less than 30 percent of its STOP funding to nonprofit, nongovernmental victim services programs (of which at least 10 percent is to be distributed to culturally specific community-based organizations); not less than 25 percent to law enforcement; not less than 25 percent to prosecution; and not less than 5 percent to courts. The remaining 15 percent may be awarded at the state/territory's discretion within the statutory parameters of VAWA and VAWA 2000 and VAWA 2005.
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For more information about this grant, contact the Office of Justice Program's Office of Communications at 202/307-0703.